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Sir:

Enclosed are copies of publications the subject matters of which are mentioned in the International Search Report for the Examiner's review:

- WO 98/41089 published September 24, 1998;
- Patent Abstracts of Japan, 10059929, published March 3, 1998, Vol. 1998, No. 8;

- 3. Patent Abstracts of Japan, 06271562, published September 27, 1994, Vol. 18, No. 680;
 - 4. US 5,712,298, January 27, 1998, Amschler;
- 5. US 5,935,978 published August 10, 1999, Fenton et al;
 - 6. EP 0 579 223 published January 19, 1994;
 - 7. US 4,968,845, January 22, 1991, Oya et al;
 - 8. GB 2 061 913 published May 20, 1981;
 - 9. US 4,440,940, April 3, 1984, Shepherd et al;

We have enclosed a copy of the International Search
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